

Article - Alcoholic Beverages

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§26–206.

- (a) The director shall appoint all of the Board’s inspectors.
- (b) An inspector:
 - (1) has all the powers of a peace officer or sheriff in the State arising out of or relating to the enforcement of this article;
 - (2) may issue a civil citation under § 26–2603 of this title; and
 - (3) has the authority to order that an unlicensed establishment be closed immediately under § 26–2501 of this title.
- (c) An inspector shall:
 - (1) visit and inspect periodically every licensed premises; and
 - (2) carry out other duties that the Board requires.
- (d) Inspectors are subject to the restrictions under:
 - (1) § 26–202(c) and (d) of this subtitle regarding direct and indirect interests of members of the Board in alcoholic beverages activities and soliciting or transmitting political contributions for the benefit of a candidate or political committee; and
 - (2) § 26–205(d) of this subtitle requiring an employee to devote full time to the business of the Board, prohibiting certain activities, and requiring removal for violation of those requirements and prohibitions.
- (e) An inspector shall take the oath required by Article I, § 9 of the Maryland Constitution.
- (f)
 - (1) There are up to three full–time inspectors and up to 24 part–time inspectors of the Board as provided in the county budget.
 - (2) To be a full–time or part–time inspector, an individual shall be a resident of the county.

(3) (i) From the full-time inspectors, the Board shall designate annually a chief inspector and two deputy chief inspectors.

(ii) Under the direction of the Board, the chief inspector shall regulate the duties, hours, and assignments of the inspectors.

(4) The full-time inspectors who are certified by the personnel director as meeting the standards that the county merit board sets out are included in the county merit system.

(g) A part-time inspector shall receive a salary as provided in the county budget.

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